

ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD  
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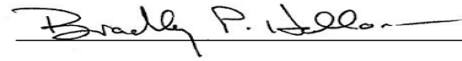
PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, )  
)  
Complainant, )  
)  
v. ) PCB 00-104  
) (Enforcement - Air)  
THE HIGHLANDS, L.L.C. and MURPHY )  
FARMS, INC. (a division of MURPHY )  
BROWN, LLC, a North Carolina limited )  
liability corporation, and SMITHFIELD )  
FOODS, INC., a Virginia corporation), )  
)  
Respondents. )

**HEARING OFFICER ORDER**

On August 26, 2004, all parties participated in a telephonic status conference with the hearing officer. The complainant represented that settlement discussions are not going as well as anticipated. A proposed revised discovery schedule between respondent The Highlands, L.L.C. (Highlands) and the complainant was submitted and is accepted to the extent as follows: written responses for all outstanding written discovery must be served on or before December 31, 2004; complainant must disclose its opinion witnesses and opinions on or before December 31, 2004; respondent Highlands must disclose its opinion witnesses and opinions on or before January 31, 2005; all depositions to be completed on or before April 29, 2005; any further written discovery must be served on or before May 31, 2005; and responses to written discovery must be served on or before June 30, 2005. The complainant and respondent Murphy Farms, Inc. (Murphy Farms) to submit its discovery schedule at the next status conference. The attorney for respondent Murphy Farms made an oral motion for time to file its answer to the complainant's second amended complaint to and including October 11, 2004. The complainant had no objection. That motion is granted.

The parties are directed to participate in a telephonic status conference with the hearing officer on October 21, 2004, at 10:30 a.m. The status conference must be initiated by the complainant, but each party is nonetheless responsible for its own appearance. At the status conference, the parties must be prepared to discuss the status of the above-captioned matter and their readiness for hearing.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Bradley P. Halloran", is positioned above a solid horizontal line.

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